

Claims:

- 1.-63. (cancelled)
64. (previously presented) A rodenticidal bait composition comprising:
an insecticidally effective amount up to 200 ppm of fipronil;
an effective amount of a rodenticide selected from the group consisting of
brodifacoum, difethialone, flocoumafen and mixtures thereof; and
at least one feeding stimulant.
65. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 64 comprising, by
weight:
at least 0.0001% fipronil;
from 0.001 to 0.025% rodenticide; and
from 50 to 99.999% of at least one feeding stimulant.
66. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 65 comprising at least
0.0002% by weight fipronil.
67. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 65 comprising from
0.002 to 0.010% by weight rodenticide.
68. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 67 comprising from
0.0025 to 0.0050% by weight rodenticide.
69. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 65 wherein the
rodenticide is selected from the group consisting of brodifacoum and difethialone.

70. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 69 wherein the rodenticide is brodifacoum and the composition comprises about 0.0050% by weight brodifacoum.

71. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 69 wherein the rodenticide is difethialone and the composition comprises about 0.0025% by weight difethialone.

72. (currently amended) A composition according to claim 64 wherein the feeding stimulant is one or more items selected from the group consisting of whole and processed seeds, ~~including~~ cereal grains, sugar and sugar products, honey, meat and meat products ~~including that contain~~ blood ~~and~~ or fat, dairy products, eggs and egg products ~~including that contain~~ shell ~~and~~ or yolk, starch, whole and processed nuts, and vegetable oils.

73. (currently amended) A composition according to claim 72 wherein the feeding stimulant is one or more items selected from the group consisting of whole and processed seeds, ~~including~~ cereal grains, sugar and sugar products, starch, whole and processed nuts, and vegetable oils.

74. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 64 further comprising at least one attractant.

75. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 64 further comprising one or more insecticidally and rodenticidally compatible excipients and/or adjuvants selected from the group consisting of dye, bittering agent, solvent, flow agent, binder, weatherability enhancer and preservative.

76. (previously presented) A rodenticidal bait composition comprising:
an acaricidally effective amount up to 200 ppm of fipronil;

an effective amount of a rodenticide selected from the group consisting of brodifacoum, difethialone, flocoumafen and mixtures thereof; and at least one feeding stimulant.

77. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 76 comprising, by weight:

at least 0.001% fipronil;
from 0.001 to 0.025% rodenticide; and
from 50 to 99.998% of at least one feeding stimulant.

78. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 77 comprising at least 0.0015% by weight fipronil.

79. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 78 comprising at least 0.0025% by weight fipronil.

80. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 79 comprising at least 0.0040% by weight fipronil.

81. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 77 comprising from 0.002 to 0.010% by weight rodenticide.

82. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 81 comprising from 0.0025 to 0.0050% by weight rodenticide.

83. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 76 wherein the rodenticide is selected from the group consisting of brodifacoum and difethialone.

84. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 83 wherein the rodenticide is brodifacoum and the composition comprises about 0.0050% by weight brodifacoum.

85. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 83 wherein the rodenticide is difethialone and the composition comprises about 0.0025% by weight difethialone.

86. (currently amended) A composition according to claim 76 wherein the feeding stimulant is one or more items selected from the group consisting of whole and processed seeds, ~~including~~ cereal grains, sugar and sugar products, honey, meat and meat products ~~including that contain~~ blood ~~and~~ or fat, dairy products, eggs and egg products ~~including that contain~~ shell ~~and~~ or yolk, starch, whole and processed nuts, and vegetable oils.

87. (currently amended) A composition according to claim 86 wherein the feeding stimulant is one or more items selected from the group consisting of whole and processed seeds, ~~including~~ cereal grains, sugar and sugar products, starch, whole and processed nuts, and vegetable oils.

88. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 76 further comprising at least one attractant.

89. (previously presented) A composition according to claim 76 further comprising one or more insecticidally and rodenticidally compatible excipients and/or adjuvants selected from the group consisting of dye, bittering agent, solvent, flow agent, binder, weatherability enhancer and preservative.

90. (previously presented) A rodenticidal bait composition comprising, by weight, about 0.004% fipronil,
about 0.005% brodifacoum; and

from 50 to 99.7% of at least one feeding stimulant.

91. (previously presented) A rodenticidal bait composition comprising, by weight, about 0.004% fipronil, about 0.0025% difethialone; and from 50 to 99.7% of at least one feeding stimulant.

92. (previously presented) A method of killing ticks and a host rodent thereof, comprising providing for ingestion to said rodent a bait composition comprising an effective amount of a rodenticide selected from the group consisting of brodifacoum, difethialone, flocoumafen and mixtures thereof, and an acaricidally effective amount up to 200ppm of fipronil.

93. (previously presented) A method according to claim 92 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises at least 10 ppm fipronil.

94. (previously presented) A method according to claim 93 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises at least 15 ppm fipronil.

95. (previously presented) A method according to claim 94 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises at least 25 ppm fipronil.

96. (previously presented) A method according to claim 95 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises at least 40 ppm fipronil.

97. (previously presented) A method according to claim 92 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises from 10 to 250 ppm rodenticide.

98. (previously presented) A method according to claim 97 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises from 20 to 100 ppm rodenticide.

99. (previously presented) A method according to claim 98 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises from 25 ppm to 50 ppm rodenticide.

100. (previously presented) A method according to claim 92 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises a rodenticide selected from the group consisting of brodifacoum and difethialone.

101. (previously presented) A method according to claim 100 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises brodifacoum in an amount of about 50 ppm.

102. (previously presented) A method according to claim 100 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises difethialone in an amount of about 25 ppm.

103. (previously presented) A method of killing fleas and a host rodent thereof, comprising providing for ingestion to said rodent a bait composition comprising an effective amount of a rodenticide selected from the group consisting of brodifacoum, difethialone, flocoumafen and mixtures thereof, and an insecticidally effective amount up to 200 ppm of fipronil.

104. (previously presented) A method according to claim 103 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises at least 1 ppm fipronil.

105. (previously presented) A method according to claim 104 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises at least 2 ppm fipronil.

106. (previously presented) A method according to claim 105 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises at least 10 ppm fipronil.

107. (previously presented) A method according to claim 106 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises at least 40 ppm fipronil.

108. (previously presented) A method according to claim 103 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises from 10 to 250 ppm rodenticide.

109. (previously presented) A method according to claim 108 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises from 20 to 100 ppm rodenticide.

110. (previously presented) A method according to claim 109 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises from 25 ppm to 50 ppm rodenticide.

111. (previously presented) A method according to claim 103 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises a rodenticide selected from the group consisting of brodifacoum and difethialone.

112. (previously presented) A method according to claim 111 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises brodifacoum in an amount of about 50 ppm.

113. (previously presented) A method according to claim 111 wherein the bait composition provided for ingestion by said rodent comprises difethialone in an amount of about 25 ppm.